

Oh, That Spring Fever!

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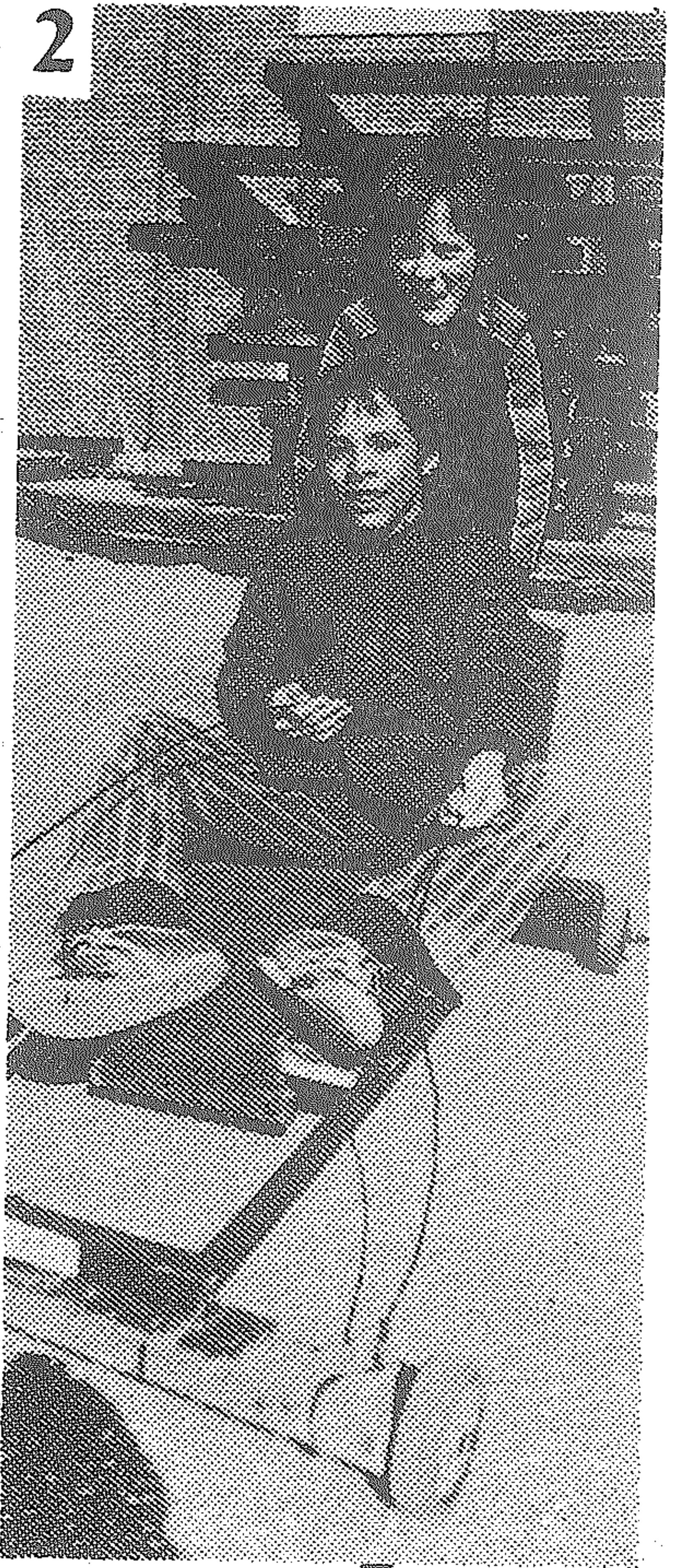


Children from area schools turned out en masse on March 21 to celebrate Spring's arrival.

Mother nature could not have been more cooperative—there was plenty of sunshine and for the first time in weeks, temperatures hovered around the 40 and 50 range.

Clockwise, a friendly game of soccer among Eli, (C.W. Jeffreys), and Mario and Micky (Jane Junior High); go-karting with James (Beverly Heights) and Sean (Calico); tennis with Kelly and Kim (Stanley Road); skateboarding with John (St. Martha's) and Nick (Spenvalley); hockey featuring Paul, Phillip and Robbie (all of Stanley Road); and baseball with Ivano, Patricia, Raffella, Joe, Mary, Almerino, Janet, Claudio, Carmen and Antoniella (St. Martha's and St. Blaise's). Photographs by Bill Waicus.

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Brownies, Girl Guides Fete Year of the Child



R-i-i-v-e-t! Angie Markle beams as she displays her winning frog collection.

By Carla Mastragostino and Mary Ann Prychoda

The International Year of the Child was the inspiration for this year's York-Glen district Girl Guide and Brownie Parent-Daughter Banquet.

A craft and hobby competition, buffet dinner and entertainment supplied by the Guides and Brownies—all on the international theme—were the main events of the evening.

First, second and third prize went to the winners for their craft, general appearance and age of entrant, all considered in the judging.

First place ribbons went to Kim McClennon, 12, for embroidery; Kristen Reeson, 7, for stitchery; and Debbie Duncan, 14, for sewing.

Karen Perelmutter, 11 won with her stamp collection; Lisa Kirkland, 8, won for her doll collection; Angie Markle, for her collection of artificial frogs; and

Dodi de Gueere, 10, for her coin collection.

Sharon Anne Clamp, 7, won first place for the avocado plant she had grown; and Sheron D'ohley, 10, won for her hobby entry of ten books, each of which took her about five days to read.

The international flavour of the competition was evident in many of the entries.

Karen Perelmutter's stamps came from all over the world including those sent to her by her aunt in Poland. Dodi de Gueere's was a 1977 Jamaican 10-cent piece.

Even Angie Markle's display of frogs included examples from Mexico, Florida, and Avon.

After the buffet dinner parents were treated to entertainment provided by the Guides and Brownies. Folk dancing done in ethnic costumes, fashion displays and singing rounded out a successful evening for the almost two-hundred parents and daughters in attendance.

Child Credit Program

Everyone who is receiving monthly cheques from the Canadian Government for their children is probably entitled to a bonus payment of \$200 per child under a new plan introduced by

the Federal Government.

The monthly payments to all mothers have been cut so that more money can be paid to all lower income families. Those earning under \$18,000 a year

Westview Community Venture

By Susan Swain

The Westview Community Venture is a community program located at Firgrove Public School.

The Board of Directors is made up of a majority of community residents and the balance are professionals from the North York Board of Education, North York Public Health Department, Metro Separate School Board and the North York Inter-agency Council.

Over the summer the community-based part of the board decided on the priorities and the direction the project should take on the basis of their perceptions of the needs of the community.

The programs being run at present are:

1. Health and Nutrition program for junior and senior kindergarten children.

2. Recommendations from the community have led to the planning of a series of workshops on such subjects as the educational system, problems in housing developments, recreational programs, and the like.

3. Free clothing exchange store to be opened in The Firgrove Recreation Centre (11 Blue Crossway).

As the board is presently looking at the priorities for next year, it would welcome any ideas or inputs from the community. For further information, call 746-0466.

can get an extra \$200 per child.

If you think you qualify for the benefit, you may obtain free assistance and other necessary information from the Westview Community Venture, a community group housed at Firgrove Public School, 270 Firgrove Crescent.

To arrange for an appointment you may call any of the following telephone numbers—746-0466, 741-2833, 663-9432, and 745-0192.

Volunteers Make It Happen

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Scouting in Downsview

By Peter M. Sundborg

With new groups opening up and many of the existing groups taking new boys in, Scouting is beginning to grow in the Downsview area.

During the week of March 19 through March 24, the Yorkdale Mall saluted Scouting in Toronto. With many booths and displays set up throughout the mall, boys and leaders from all over Toronto provided demonstrations and services to the public.

Two groups from the Downsview area were involved. The 454th Beaver colony, boys (ages 5, 6 and 7) who usually hold their meetings on Thursday evening at 6:30 p.m., at Driftwood Public School, held their meeting at the mall on Tuesday evening.

Throughout the week the 455th Troop (boys 11, 12, 13

and 14 years old) from the Black Creek Pioneer Village had the booth set up with colourful pictures, an old farm fence, and wood carving done by the boys.

Scouter Bill Nodelman and many of his Scouts worked very hard doing wood carving, handing out pamphlets and talking to people about some of their activities in the village.

The troop meets every Wednesday evening at Shoreham Public School, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. On weekends the troop meets in the village to cut wood, act as guides, do some camping and have a great time together, learning new skills in many different areas.

If you would like to be involved in one of these two groups, drop in and see what it is like. You might like it!

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Scouter Bill Nodelman and Scout Gordon Brasier manned the 455th Toronto-Troop-Black Creek Pioneer Village booth at the Yorkdale Mall Show from March 19 through March 24. Photo courtesy of Peter M. Sundborg.